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SUBJECT: MFA REORGANIZATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION MATTERS

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 6097

1. DURING OCT 21 CALL, LOOI CHEOK HUN, MFA PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (PAS) FOR UNITED NATIONS AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, AND AS SUCH KEY WORKING LEVEL MFA CONTACT ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION MATTERS (REFTEL), TOLD EMBOFF HE WAS BEING POSTED TO VIENTIANE AS CHARGE. HE IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE UP THE POST, CURRENTLY VACANT, BY THE END OF NOVEMBER AND IS GOING ON LEAVE FROM HIS PRESENT JOB EFFECTIVE OCT 25.

2. LOOI SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD EMBOFF THAT MFA IS REORGANIZING ITS HANDLING OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION MATTERS BY CREATING NEW POSITION OF UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. NEW POST IS BEING TAKEN OVER BY AJIT SINGH, WHO UNTIL A FEW MONTHS AGO SERVED AS COUNSELLOR OF THE MALAYSIAN UN MISSION, AND WHO APPARENTLY IS WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN BY USUN. LOOI WILL
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BE SUCCEEDED IN HIS PAS JOB BY A MISS TING WEN LIAN,

PRESENTLY DETAILED TO THE MALAYSIAN UNGA DELEGATION, WHO
WILL BE RETURNING TO KUALA LUMPUR IN MID OR LATE NOVEMBER AT
THE EARLIEST.

3. WE WILL SEND BIOGRAPHIC REPORT ON LOOI TO VIENTIANE BY
AIRGRAM. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO USUN
OR DEPT RE AJIT SINGH AND MISS TING, ESPECIALLY NATURE OF
WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH US PERSONNEL.

4. COMMENT: REORGANIZATION WILL BEEF UP MFA CAPABILITIES IN
IO MATTERS AND PROVIDE AJIT SINGH A SENIOR POSITION SUITED TO
HIS EXPERIENCE. LOOI ON HIS PART REALIZES THE VIENTIANE
ASSIGNMENT IS A PROMOTION BUT HAS RESERVATIONS ABOUT LIVING
AND WORKING CONDITIONS HE WILL FIND THERE.
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